

| Grant Program Summary | | |
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| Total Funds Available | ✕ \$14,000,000 | |
| Eligible Applicants | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit of Local Government Special Purpose District Public Works Commission Public Works District Local Government may apply on behalf of non-profit water and sewer companies. | |
| Project Qualifications | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tier III or Tier IV Counties Projects in Tier I or Tier II Counties serving census tracts that meet distressed criteria in non-urban areas Service areas of currently approved USDA Rural Development infrastructure grant or a State CDBG infrastructure grant | |
| Program Description | Basic Infrastructure | Economic Infrastructure |
| Purposes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✕ Assist communities in bringing facilities into compliance with environmental quality standards, protecting the public from other environmental health concerns or improving the capacity of existing facilities. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✕ Help build local infrastructure capacity to support economic development activities that will create jobs and boost opportunities for long-term community sustainability. |
| Priorities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Projects that address EPA or DHEC Consent Orders, violations or ✕ unsatisfactory ratings related to public health or environmental ✕ quality or projects that resolve a public health or environmental ✕ concern that has become critical in the past six months. Projects that address other health/environmental concerns not cited ✕ by DHEC but supported by other appropriate documentation of the ✕ frequency, quantity and severity of the problem. Improvements to existing infrastructure that has reached the end of ✕ its useful life or is in severely deteriorating condition and having a ✕ negative impact on the system, but has not resulted in DHEC ✕ compliance issues. Other system enhancement that significantly impact system capacity. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Economic development projects that create impact through job ✕ creation and private investment. Product development for publically owned industrial sites or ✕ industrial parks that are currently certified or have a tiered ✕ certification. Other projects for publically owned properties where there is ✕ demonstrated potential to create or retain jobs and private ✕ investment. Projects that will expand infrastructure capacity where there is ✕ demonstrated growth potential or to help existing businesses to ✕ create or retain jobs. |
| Eligible Activities | ✕ Upgrades, improvement or extension of water or sewer infrastructure or storm water drainage | ✕ Upgrades, improvement or extension of publically owned water or sewer infrastructure, storm drainage and other public facilities |
| Max Grant | ✕ \$500,000 | ✕ \$500,000 |
| Match | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✕ All: 100% Non- Construction Costs ✕ Projects in Tier I or II Counties: 25% of Total Construction Costs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✕ All: 100% Non- Construction Costs ✕ Projects in Tier I or II Counties: 25% of Total Construction Costs |
| Other Requirements | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cost benchmark <\$10,000 per customer 70% of new customers commit to connect | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public ownership of improvements If job creation is involved, performance agreement is required for ✕ jobs/investments within 5 years |
| Application Deadline | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✕ Round 1: September 14, 2015 ✕ Round 2: March 14, 2016 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✕ Round 1: September 14, 2015 ✕ Round 2: March 14, 2016 |

